

REMARKS

Applicants have amended their specification in order to correct typographical errors. That is, Applicants have amended their specification in order to define R values as $R = I1350 / I1580$, rather than $I1580 / I1350$, and to define $R = P2 / P1$, rather than $P1 / P2$. It is respectfully submitted that these amendments constitute correction of typographical errors, and do not add new matter.

In addition, Applicants have amended Table 1 to provide correct values therein for the peak intensity ratio in Raman spectrum and for the bulk density, which is data of the negative electrode material sample of Comparative Example 1, a raw material graphite for Table 2.

Applicants have amended their claims of the above-identified application, prior to calculation of the filing fee, in order to delete multiple dependency, including improper multiple dependency. In light thereof, Applicants are adding new claims 10 and 11 to the application. Claims 10 and 11 expressly set forth subject matter expressly recited in claims 3 and 4, respectively, but are dependent respectively on claims 2 and 10.

Moreover, Applicants have amended claim 6 such that recites that the negative electrode includes the negative electrode material of claim 1 (deleting from claim 6 that the negative electrode material is manufactured according to the manufacturing method of claim 5). Applicants have also amended claim 7 to recite that the battery has, as the negative electrode thereof, the nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery negative electrode of claim 6.

In light of amendments to claim 6, Applicants are adding new claims 8 and 9 to the application. Claim 8 recites that the negative electrode includes the negative electrode material manufactured according to the manufacturing method of claim 5; and

claim 9 sets forth the subject matter expressly recited in claim 7, but is dependent on claim 8.


Moreover, Applicants have amended claim 2 to correct a typographical error therein, to recite that the R value is expressed by $R = 11350 / 11580$.

Entry of the present amendments, prior to calculation of the filing fee; and, subsequent thereto, examination of the above-identified application on the merits in due course, are respectfully requested.

Applicants request any shortage of fees due in connection with the filing of this paper be charged to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (case 1204.46017X00), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

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